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House of Representatives

The House met at noon and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SARBANES).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> Washington, DC, December 20, 2022.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN P. SARBANES to act as Speaker pro tempore on

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

When all around are voices of enticement and invitation, the lure of possessions and position, remind us, O Lord, that to You belong the Earth and all who live in it. Such is Your love for us that no power or opportunity can measure up to the design You intend for us, the grace plan You have laid out

This kind of imagining is too wonderful for us, so high that we cannot comprehend that You, who founded the Earth on the seas, gave breath to every living creature. We live because You give us life.

Who are we, then that we dare approach You? Who of us can stand, without sin or blame, before You?

Holy and merciful God, cleanse our hands from all wrongdoing. Purify our hearts from all that has kept us from right living. Strengthen us to deny our trust in idols, to turn away from the false gods we have placed before You.

Then may we receive Your blessing, O Lord. Grant us Your absolution, that we may enter Your presence with confidence and live in faithfulness the day You have set before us.

In Your great and wonderful name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Hawaii (Mr. KAHELE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KAHELE led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God. indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, House of Representatives. Washington, DC, December 16, 2022. Hon, NANCY PELOSI.

Speaker, House of Representatives

Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on December 16, 2022, at 12:21 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 688.

That the Senate passed S. 2793.

That the Senate passed S. 3957.

That the Senate passed S. 5168.

That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 16. That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 681.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2724.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4250.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 7181.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

KEVIN F. McCumber, Deputy Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 1 of House Resolution 1230, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 12 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Wednesday, December 21, 2022, at noon for morninghour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-6136. A letter from the Program Specialist, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans Exemption Threshold [Docket No.: OCC-2022-0018] (RIN: 1557-AF17) received December 14, 2022, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-6137. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting the Agency's Major final rule — 2023-2024 Multifamily Enterprise Housing Goals (RIN: 2590-AB21) received December 16, 2022, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-6138. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final Requirements for

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

